



# Bureau of HIV and STD Prevention

HIV/STD Clinical Resources Division  
HIV/STD Epidemiology Division  
HIV/STD Health Resources Division

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## BYLAWS FOR HIV PREVENTION COMMUNITY PLANNING GROUPS

### PURPOSE

With this policy the Texas Department of Health (TDH), Bureau of HIV and STD Prevention (Bureau), adopts the *Bylaws for the HIV Prevention Regional Planning Coalitions* as the minimum standard in which Community Planning Groups (CPG) will be expected to conduct business. Representatives from CPGs and the Bureau's Planning Unit drafted these bylaws. Each CPG may draft local bylaws that address, at minimum, the articles in these bylaws and may address other provisions that are applicable to the operation of their individual CPG.

### AUTHORITY

V.T.C.A., Health and Safety Code, §85.003, §85.014, §85.031, §85.032; Current CDC Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV) Prevention Projects and HIV Prevention Community Planning Guidance.

### BYLAWS

Bylaws are rules that an organization adopts to govern its members and to regulate its affairs. Community Planning Groups may draft local bylaws to:

1. establish the basic structure of the CPG,
2. effectively manage CPG HIV prevention operations,
3. guide decision-making within the CPG,
4. foster the openness and participatory nature of the community planning process, and
5. work towards the common purpose of HIV prevention community planning.

### ADOPTION OF CURRENT VERSION OF BYLAWS

With this policy, the Bureau adopts the most current version of the *Bylaws for the HIV Prevention Regional Planning Coalitions* as the minimum standard in which CPGs will be expected to conduct business.

### WHERE TO DIRECT COMMENTS AND/OR GET COPIES OF THE BYLAWS

Persons or organizations who have questions about the bylaws or who wish to request copies of the bylaws may call (512) 490-2525 or write to:

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REVISIONS

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